GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Fall 2023 – Acts Sermon Series - "Witness" Week of Oct. 29 (Week 8)

This past Sunday we looked at Acts 18:24-28 and saw the marks of a good preaching:

- (#1) Good preaching is eloquent and "mighty" in the scriptures (verse 24)
- (#2) Good preaching is well instructed and fervent in The Spirit (verse 25)
- (#3) Good preaching is bold with refutation of unbelief (verses 26 & 28)
- (#4) Good preaching is FULL of Jesus (verse 25)

QUESTION #1: Have you ever thought about how many sermons you have listened to in your lifetime? Has it ever occurred to you that it is possible to sit under "bad" preaching? Generally, what has been your normal "posture" when listening to a sermon? As you are listening, are you trying to discern if it is good and sound?

QUESTION #2: What might be some things that you can do before, during, and after listening to a sermon to better discern between a good and bad sermon?

QUESTION #3: Pastor Peter gave the five following practical applications from his sermon:

- (#1) Expect opposition to solid sound preaching.
- (#2) You have a responsibility to sit under sound preaching.
- (#3) Be thankful if you find good preaching. Recognize your chosen healthy life choice.
- (#4) Support sound and faithful biblical preaching; receive it well.
- (#5) Invite others to Biblical teaching when you find it.

Of these five practical applications, which stood out to you the most and why?

QUESTION #4: Why should we expect opposition to solid, sound preaching?

QUESTION #5: As Pastor Peter said as he ended his sermon, he saved the best mark of good preaching for last, and that is: Good preaching is FULL of Jesus. Why is this the best/most important mark of good preaching? Why is it so important for preaching to be FULL of Jesus?

